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Hongkong, May 31, 1879.

NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

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Established in Calcutta 29th September, 1863.

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" 12 " 5 per cent.

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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars.
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ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent.
" 12 " 5 per cent.

Local Bills Discounted.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,

No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, August 16, 1879.

Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris.

(Incorporated 7th & 18th March, 1848.)

RECOGNISED by the INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION of 30TH APRIL, 1862.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP, £3,200,000.

RESERVE FUND, £800,000.

HEAD OFFICE—14, RUE BEBECHE,

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AGENCIES and BRANCHES at:

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LYON, CALCUTTA, HANKOW,

NANTES, SHANGHAI, FOOCHOW.

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The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application, grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transacts every description of Banking Exchange Business.

E. G. VOUILLEMONT,
Manager, Shanghai.

Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

Oriental Bank Corporation.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

PAID-UP CAPITAL, £1,500,000.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3½ per Annum.

" 6 " 4 " "

" 12 " 5 " "

Also,

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.

GEO. O. SCOTT,
Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation,

Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 1879.

1879

PRICE, \$24 PER ANNUM.

For Sale.

GLASGOW BANK FAILURE.

TO THE INHABITANTS OF THIS CITY & VICINITY.

GREAT BANKRUPT

SALE OF DRAPERY.

OWING to the great depression in Scotland caused by the failure of the Glasgow

Bank, the well-known firm of MESSRS DARCY, MACDONALD, and STEWART, of Glasgow and Manchester, being bankrupt, MESSRS McDERMOTT, CASS & CO., Official Assignees, are now disposing of by Private Sale a large portion of the STOCK belonging to the late firm, consisting of:—

WEST OF ENGLAND BROAD AND NARROW CLOTHS,
ENGLISH MELTONS, BEAVERS,

Scotch Tweeds and Cheviots, French Cloths, Cashmeres, &c.

THERE WILL ALSO BE OFFERED A LARGE STOCK OF
ENGLISH PRINTS, CALICOES, WELSH FLANNEL, LADIES' KID BOOTS AND SLIPPERS,
To which the Subscribers would respectfully call the attention of the Public, at the

following

LOW PRICES, viz.:—

1,570 Bales of ENGLISH PRINTS, which will be offered from..... 6 cents per yard.

1,990 Bales of ENGLISH CALICOES, which will be offered from..... 6 cents per yard.

850 Bales of WELSH FLANNEL, which will be offered from..... 15 cents per yard.

400 Trunks Best Kid BOOTS..... \$2.00 per pair.

800 Trunks Kid SLIPPERS..... 50 cents per pair.

150,000 Yards ENGLISH TICKING..... 10 cents per yard.

1,020 Bales REGATTA SHIRTING..... 10 cents per yard.

N.B.—The Subscribers would also call attention to the large lot of FRENCH

and PAISLEY SHAWLS of the LATEST DESIGNS and FINEST QUALITIES, which will be offered at a Great Sacrifice; also a large lot of FRENCH and ITALIAN SILKS; also, IRISH POPLIN DRESS PATTERNS, manufactured by the celebrated PRIM BROTHERS, of Dublin.

800,000 REMNANTS OF ENGLISH BROAD CLOTHES, in BLACK, BROWN, BLUE,

AND OTHER COLOURS.

BELOW MANUFACTURER'S PRICES.

N.B.—The Assignees have engaged the services of Twenty Salesmen, who will offer for inspection and sale portions of the above Goods, and from the low prices at which they will be offered, they feel confident of a speedy clearance. ONE PRICE charged, from which NO ABATEMENT will be made.

ADDRESS 42, QUEEN'S ROAD,

Opposite Messrs. Birley and Co.'s.

BUCHANAN PEARSON & CO.,
Agents.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

THE Undersigned will sell by Public

Auction, on

TUESDAY,

the 25th Nov., at Noon, at his Auction

Sale Rooms, Peddar's Wharf,—

INTEREST allowed on CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balances; and on FIXED DEPOSITS according to arrangement—the maximum rate being 5 per cent. per annum.

R. H. SANDEMAN,
Manager.

Hongkong, November 1, 1879.

Also,

42 packages Old Yellow Sheathing

METAL and NAILS.

TERMS.—Cash on delivery.

G. R. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, Nov. 22, 1879. no25

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G. R. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, Nov. 22, 1879. no25

Also,

42 packages Old Yellow Sheathing

For Sale.

MacEwen, FRICKEL & Co.,
BEG to announce the ARRIVAL of the
following First-Class
S T O R E S, &c.
EX "OCEANIC,"
"LORD OF THE ISLES,"
And Other Late Arrivals.

Fine California BUTTER in Rolls.
Good Cooking BUTTER in Kegs.
Fine Apple CHEESE.
Lumburg CHEESE.
Sap Sage CHEESE.
Prime Gilroy CHEESE.
Fine Eastern HAMS.
Fine Eastern BACON.
Prime Smoked SALMON.
Smoked HERRINGS.
Boston MACKEREL.
SALMON BELLIES.
Family PIG PORK and BEEF in Kegs.
Pickled OX-TONGUES.
Boneless and Good Dry CODFISH.
SAUERKRAUT in Kegs.
Finest CAVIARE and SARDELLES.

Fresh APPLES.
"No Plus Ultra" APPLE RINGS.
BICKORY NUTS.
PECAN NUTS.
BRAZIL NUTS.
PEA NUTS.
COMB HONEY in Frames.
Pure Orange BLOSSOM HONEY.
BROUGHTON'S TURKEY & TONGUE.
Do. LUNCH TONGUE.
Do. Compressed HAM.
L. MCNEIL & LIBBY's Compressed
HAM.
L. MCNEIL & LIBBY's Corned BEEF.
L. MCNEIL & LIBBY's Compressed
TONGUE.
Green TURTLE, 1lb. and 2lb. tins.
Boneless Spiced PIG'S FEET.
Assorted Devilled MEATS.
Baked PORK and BEANS.

CALIFORNIA CRACKER Co.'s GINGER
CAKES.
CALIFORNIA CRACKER Co.'s SODA
BISCUITS.
CALIFORNIA CRACKER Co.'s OYS-
TER CRACKERS.
WAFER BISCUITS per
Pound.

OATMEAL in Casks.
Fresh CORNMEAL.
Cracked WHEAT.
BUCK WHEAT.
RYE FLOUR.
HOMINY.

CUTTING's Assorted JELLIES in Glass
Pots.

CUTTING's Assorted DESSERT FRUITS.
Do. QUEEN'S OLIVES.
Do. Pickled LIMES.
Do. Stuffed PEPPERS.
Do. ASPARAGUS.
Do. Assorted VEGETABLES.
Do. Assorted PICKLES.
Do. Assorted SAUCES.

White BEANS.
Split PEAS.
MESS' PORK and BEEF.
BORDEN's Condensed MILK
(very fresh).
&c., &c., &c.

CROSSE & BLACKWELL'S
HOUSEHOLD STORES.

MULSOW'S
Assorted German SAUSAGES.
Do. Do. VEGETABLES.
Long ASPARAGUS (very fine).

PHILIPPE & CANAUD'S
SARDINES. Assorted PATES.

JOHN MOIR & SONS'
Celebrated FAMILY STORES.
Game PIES, Veal and Ham PIES.
Truffed SAUSAGES.
Cambridge SAUSAGES.
Bologna SAUSAGES.
Pork SAUSAGES. SAVOLEYS.
SALMON CUTLETS (in Indian Sauce).
HADDOCK ROES. Fried SOLES.
Kippered HERRINGS. BLOATERS.
HERRINGS A LA SARDINE.
OATMEAL, &c., &c.

BOOKS!
BOOKS!!
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The Latest and most Popular
NOVELS,
By FIRST-CLASS AUTHORS.
DICTIONARIES,
&c., &c., &c.

"Cable Coll," "Perfection" and "Empress
of India"
TOBACCO'S.

Specially Selected CIGARS.
Cavite CHEROOTS.
Princess CHEROOTS.
Cavite CIGARS.
Princess CIGARS.
Aroceros CIGARS.
Vegueros CIGARS.
Choice No. 3 Melis CHEROOTS,
Choice No. 3 Fordin CIGARS.

REVOLVERS & RIFLES.
Broach loading Central FIRE FOWLING
PIECES.
Electro-Plated "British Bull Dog"
REVOLVERS.

SMITH AND WESSON'S REVOLVERS.
COLT'S DERRINGER PISTOLS AND
REVOLVERS.

CARTRIDGES, &c., &c.

Hongkong, October 15, 1879.

Intimations.

YANGTSE INSURANCE ASSO-
CIATION.

NOTICE.

IN accordance with the Articles of Agree-
ment, the Directors have declared a
DIVIDEND to POLICYHOLDERS for the
FIFTEEN MONTHS ending 31st December
1878, of THIRTY-THREE PER CENT.
ON THE NET PREMIA CONTRIBUTED,
payable at our OFFICE on and after the
15th Instant.

POLICYHOLDERS are requested to send in
particulars of their Contributions.

By Order of the Directors,

RUSSELL & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, May 6, 1879.

NORWICH UNION FIRE INSURANCE
SOCIETY.

ESTABLISHED 1797.

FOR FIRE INSURANCE EXCLUSIVELY.

Head Office, Surrey Street, Norwich.

London Office, 50, Fleet Street.

CAPITAL, £1,100,000.

THE undersigned, having been appointed
Agents of the above Company at this
Port, are prepared to issue Policies of in-
surance against Fire on the usual terms.

BIRLEY & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 19th November, 1879. no19

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship

"NINGPO,"

Captain R. CASS, will be de-
spatched for the above Port TO-
MORROW (TUESDAY), the 25th Inst., at
4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMSSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, November 24, 1879. no25

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

The Steamship

"DOUGLAS,"

Capt. Young, will be de-
spatched for the above Ports on
THURSDAY, the 27th Instant, at Day-
light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, November 24, 1879. no29

FOR AMOY, TAMSUI & TAIWANFOO.

The Steamship

"ALBAY,"

Capt. F. ASHTON, will be de-
spatched for the above Ports on
SATURDAY, the 29th Inst., at Day-
light, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, November 24, 1879. no29

STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE
GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA,
BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MEDI-
TERNEAN PORTS, SOUTH-
AMPTON, AND LONDON;

VIA BOMBAY.

ALSO,

BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND
AUSTRALIA.



THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY's Steamship
TEHERAN, Captain A. H. JOHNSON, will
leave this on SATURDAY, the 6th
Instant, at Noon.

Tea and General Cargo for London will
be conveyed via Bombay without tranship-
ment, arriving one week later than by the
direct route. Silk and Valuables will be
transferred to the Calcutta steamer at
Galle.

For further Particulars, apply to

A. MOLVER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, November 24, 1879. no26

OXCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S.
COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by Steamship
BELGIC are hereby notified that
their Goods are being landed and stored at
their risk in the Company's Godowns, at
Wanchai, from whence delivery may be
obtained, on countersignature of Bills of
Lading.

Cargo remaining unclaimed after the
3rd Proximo will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. M. BLANCHARD,

Acting Agent.

Hongkong, October 24, 1879. no1

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S. S. "TAKASAGO MARU," FROM
KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Vessel are hereby requested to send in
their Bills of Lading for countersignature and
take immediate delivery of their Goods
from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or re-
maining on board after TUESDAY, the
26th Inst., will be landed and stored at
Consignee's expense and risk.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

MITSU BISHI MAIL S. S. Co.,

6, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, November 24, 1879. no1

REVOLVERS & RIFLES.

Breach loading Central FIRE FOWLING
PIECES.

Electro-Plated "British Bull Dog"
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SMITH AND WESSON'S REVOLVERS.

COLT'S DERRINGER PISTOLS AND
REVOLVERS.

CARTRIDGES, &c., &c.

Hongkong, October 15, 1879.

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL,

CITY HALL.

Under the Distinguished Patronage of
H. E. J. POPE HENNESSY, O.M.G.,
GOVERNOR AND COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

Royal ITALIAN OPERA
COMPANY.

FOURTH SUBSCRIPTION NIGHT.

TO-MORROW EVENING,

Nov. 25th, 1879.

The Celebrated Opera, by DONIZETTI,

"La Favorita."

THURSDAY EVENING,

Nov. 27th, 1879.

FIFTH SUBSCRIPTION NIGHT,

"Un Ballo in Maschera,"

BY THE WHOLE COMPANY.

A Subscription List for the four remain-
ing nights, is now open at Messrs KELLY
and WALSH's, at the following Rates—

Dress Circle, £9.

Family Ticket to admit three, £20.

Stalls, £6.

Family Ticket to admit three, £15.

Hongkong, November 24, 1879. no28

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for any
Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew
of the following Vessels, during their stay
in Hongkong Harbour:—

HAZEL HOLME, British barque, Capt. J.
Wm. MILICAN—Vogel & Co.

OBERON, German barque, Captain S.
Schmidt—Arnhold, Karber & Co.

EDENZER, British barkentine, Captain
J. MILNE—Melchers & Co.

PALMA, German barque, Capt. BINGE—
Melchers & Co.

PAMPERO, British barque, Captain Mo
KENDRE—Arnhold, Karber & Co.

PAINTER, German 3-masted schooner,
Captain Carl OOM—Wieler & Co.

NOVEMBER, 1879.

MAILS will close:—

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, AND
BOMBAY.

Per Adria, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow, the
25th Inst., instead of as previously
notified.

For ILOILO.—

Per barque Miriam, at noon To-morrow,
the 25th Inst.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, SUEZ,
AND LONDON.—

Per Glengal, at 2.30 p.m. To-morrow,
the 25th Inst.

For SAIGON, SUEZ, & LONDON.—

Per Radnorshire, at 8 p.m. To-morrow,
the 25th Inst., instead of as previously
notified.

For SHANGHAI.—

Per Ningpo, at 3.30 p.m. To-morrow, the
25th Inst.

For BANGKOK.—

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THE auction sale of the private library of the late Caleb Cushing, commenced at Boston on Oct. 22nd, attracted an unusual attendance of book buyers. The large collection in Chinese was mainly purchased for the library of Congress. The bidding was spirited, and good prices were realized.

THE Tientsin correspondent of the Shanghai *Courier*, written on Nov. 1st:—"Mr. J. Forrest, H. B. M.'s Consul, leaves here on leave of absence in a few weeks, and Mr. Bristol takes charge. Everyone hopes that Mr. Forrest may return here, when he comes out again."

His Excellency Mori Arimori, the recently appointed Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to London, is expected to leave for England by the *Volga* on the 19th instant.

THE farmers in the Aichi Ken are still in a state of agitation on the question of the land tax. It is reported in the native papers that the inhabitants of one hundred and six villages rose against the authorities on the 6th instant, with what result is not yet known to the public in Tokio.

It is rumoured, says the *Choya Shinbun*, that the government will shortly issue an order to close the rice jobbing offices, which are established in Tokio and Osaka.

WE observe that the turret ship *Neptune*, carrying 12 inches of armour, and four 38-ton guns, has been fitted for an Admiral's flag on a foreign station; also that the *Superb*, which is even a more formidable vessel, is likewise ready for foreign service. We have reason to believe that either one of the other will replace or reinforce the *Iron Duke* in these waters, as that vessel is of a type now obsolete and utterly unequal in speed or strength, or battery to cope with the Russian flag ship *Miriam*. The condition of Her Majesty's fleet in these waters is certainly very surprising, because, although the officers and crews are uniformly excellent, the ships, with scarcely an exception, are old, worn out, slow, and inefficiently armed. The skill and courage of the officers and men would be neutralized by the inferiority of the wretched ships that fly Her Majesty's flag on the station.—*Japan Gazette*.

THE disbanding of the English naval mission in Japan was generally believed at the time to be necessitated by service regulations of a peculiar nature, not wholly unconnected with a stringent order now in force which effectively prevents any officers or men on the active list of the English navy accepting service under a foreign power. The *Japan Gazette* has reason to believe that "the Japanese government are still anxious to keep up the school of naval instruction, and to further this object, three or four members of the old mission will arrive in Japan by the next or following mail steamer, and that a similar number will follow very shortly. Possibly in order to resume their posts under a government which treated them with so much kindness and consideration, these members of the former mission may have obtained permission to retire from the English navy, which has been availed of. Should this report have any foundation we trust Japan will derive much benefit from the resumption of services which were so highly appreciated when the mission was performing full active duty. Any measure calculated to add to the efficiency of the Japanese navy is sure to meet with general sympathy; more particularly so, if there is any truth in the rumoured combination of Russia with China, in event of the latter engaging in a war with this country."

VERDIS "ERNANI"

On Saturday night this magnificent opera was given by the Royal Italian Opera Company at the Theatre Royal. There was again a well filled house, and Mr and Mrs Hennessy and Lady Smeale were present. The audience was enthusiastic throughout.

The opera is one of great interest and beauty, and dramatic in the extreme. Signor Gasparini made the best appearance she has yet made here; nothing could be more satisfactory than her rendering as a whole of the difficult part of *Elvira*. She was in splendid voice and excelled herself in the final scene. Signor Sbrissia, as the chief of the band of robbers, *Ernani*, made a most highly creditable appearance. His good acting, added to the admirable quality of his singing gained for him enthusiastic applause. Signor Bergamaschi as *Don Carlos* was the star of the Company in this opera. He gave an artistic, studied and powerful impersonation of the King. In the scene where after his election he forgave those who had been banished together against him and made *Ernani* and *Elvira* happy by withdrawing himself from a contest for the hand he could not win, he established his title to the name of a true artiste. Signor Bagaglioni as *Don Ruy Gomes da Silva* had more to do than has fallen to his share in the other operas that have been placed on the boards here. He was equal to the strain, and sang and acted so as to secure frequent and hearty applause. The other parts, all of a minor character, were all fairly taken up by the other members of the Company. The performance of the Opera as a whole is to be scored to the Company as a great success. We notice that they produce, for the first time in Hongkong, Donizetti's "La Favorite" to-morrow evening.

TYRHOON OUT OF SEASON.

The *Douglas*, Capt. Young, which arrived here yesterday afternoon from Swatow, experienced something very like a typhoon. She reports:—Left Swatow at 5.05 p.m. on Saturday night, and got through the Sugar Loaf Pass half-an-hour afterwards. At 6.20 p.m. rounded Cape of Good Hope, wind N.E., Bar. 29.92. At 8 o'clock the wind had increased to a fresh gale with a drizzling rain, Bar. 29.90, with a downward tendency; at 9 p.m. gale increased, with

very threatening appearances and heavy rain; at 11 p.m. the sea had risen to a great height, and was much confused, and the wind had got to E.N.E., Bar. 29.83; at midnight the gale had reached hurricane force, with torrents of rain, and the Bar. had fallen to 29.77. This weather continued till three o'clock, when the wind shifted to N.E., and the engines were slowed down, Bar. 29.67; a terrific gale was now raging, weather thick, and everything on deck had to be secured; at 4 a.m. the Barometer 29.56, the lowest point reached during the storm; at 5 a.m. the wind veered to N.W., and came down in most violent squalls, and at this time the weather was so bad that ship was to be, but the barometer had been rising since reaching the minimum reading, and was now 29.58; at 8 a.m. the barometer was still rising, but a tremendous gale and heavy cross sea kept on, weather still very thick, barometer 29.60; at 9 o'clock, barometer 29.70, weather cleared a little and got sight of Single Island N.W. by 9 a.m.; at 11 a.m. gale commenced to moderate and sea a little less confused, barometer 29.78, and at 12.40 p.m. passed East Nine Pin distant 3½ miles; at 1.30 p.m. rounded Tambo Head in fine weather, barometer 29.86, and arrived in Hongkong at 2.52 p.m.

The *Gleneglas*, Capt. McBain, which was in Foochow when the *Douglas* left and which arrived this morning, also reports a dirty night, all night, after leaving Amoy on Friday, the wind north easterly, with a considerable sea. About 7 o'clock yesterday morning got into a very confused sea, evidently coming through Bashi Channel, and in a remarkable way the sea shifted round to south-west in the course of five hours. The glass then held, and the vessel, which had headed of the Coast, came along shore again. The storm, Capt. McBain says, whilst moderate, had all the characteristics of a typhoon.

The Japanese steamer *Takasago Maru* reports: Left Kobe Nov. 18th at 6 a.m., cleared the Inland sea on 19th at 7 a.m., fine weather till 21st, then thick rainy weather and strong monsoon. On 23rd experienced a gale commanding from East blowing the hardest at S.E. and veering to S.W. Barometer 29.48 lowest, hove to for 10 hours.

Several other vessels report experiences similar to the above, as will be seen on reference to the Shipping Reports in their usual place.

Police Intelligence.

(Before C. V. Creagh, Esq.)

Monday, Nov. 24th.

SNATCHING EARRINGS.

Ho Aming, 25, a tailor, was charged with stealing a pair of earrings with jade stone drops, valued at \$15, from one Young Yut Hi in Hollywood Road on the 23rd instant. The prisoner made the usual defence that some other man snatched the earrings from complainant and threw them down. He also admitted a previous conviction of six months for gambling. Prisoner was sentenced to six months' imprisonment, the first and last fourteen days in solitary confinement, the remainder with hard labour, and to be exposed publicly in the stocks for six hours the day previous to his release from gaol.

STEALING SOAP.

Chai Achun, 15, a hawker, was charged with stealing a piece of soap on the afternoon of the 22nd inst.

Defendant admitted the charge and gave as a reason that he could not obtain a living honestly. He also admitted a previous conviction for larceny in October last year, when he refused to be sent to his native place or to go to school.

Sentenced to two months' imprisonment, the first and last fourteen days in solitary confinement, the remainder with hard labour.

DRUNK AND INCAPABLE.

Edward Farrell, 27, and Samuel Gough, 37, seamen, unemployed, were charged with being drunk and incapable on the 23rd instant. Fined \$1 each, in default two days' imprisonment.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

Wong Atuk, 33, a coolie, was charged with being in unlawful possession of seven catties of coal, at Praya East, on the 23rd instant.

Defendant, who admitted having been sent to gaol in February last for three months, was now sentenced to pay a fine of \$25 or suffer three months' imprisonment with hard labor.

ESCAPING FROM CUSTODY.

Tam Afuk, 44, a coolie, was charged with escaping from custody on the 30th October last.

Defendant admitted trying to effect his escape and had cut his queue with a knife, while he was being held in the usual way by a constable. He said he was afraid to be given over to the mandarins as they had a grudge against him.

Sentenced to four weeks' hard labor, and to enter into his personal recognizance in \$100 to be of good behaviour for twelve months. Order was made that the prisoner be brought before the Court at the end of his sentence, to be further dealt with.

China.

SHANGHAI.

(Ness.) Between two and three o'clock on Sunday morning, Mr. Frank Kennedy, master of the lorcha *Poyang*, left some friends on the French Bund to board his vessel in the stream and has not since been seen or heard of. He had to get on board by means of a rope ladder on the side of the vessel, and it is thought that he overbalanced himself and fell into the river. That he had reached his vessel is certain, because his walking stick was found on the deck, as though it had slipped out of his hand while taking hold of the deck rail to assist himself on board. He was an old China hand, and was well known among the seafaring community. Some months ago he kept the City Bowling Saloon on the Yang-king-pang Creek.

(Mercury.)

We hear the Cotton Mill has come to signal grief and that the matter is now in the hands of H. B. M. Consul. The title deeds for the ground on which the buildings are being erected are in the possession of an official at Tientsin, who has advanced some Tls. 80,000 against the same, including Tls. 7,000 which he had to pay, by order of the Shanghai Taotai for the bricks and mortar already on the ground and partly erected. The compradores of a foreign house is mainly to blame for all this trouble, and the enterprising contractors for the machinery deserve sympathy for the trap into which they have been led by wilful misrepresentation.

The New Alphabetical Gunboats have arrived safely at Taku. The British Admiral has, we understand, arranged to lend the Viceroy an instructor in gunnery with a three years agreement. Li Hung Chang, we hear, asked the Admiral how many of these gunboats could take an ironclad; the Admiral said four; but the Viceroy seemed to doubt it. The Admiral then stipulated that the Chinese crews were not to be trained to take an English ironclad. The Viceroy in reply said that there was to be everlasting peace between England and China.

We have received a call from Rev. Mr. Sultan, a Nestorian priest, from Oroomiah who is now in China, searching for any persons who may retain their connection with that ancient Church. He proposes to visit Sian-foo, where his church once enjoyed imperial favor, and the site of the famous Nestorian tablet. We showed him a rubbing of the tablet, and he was able to read the most of the Syriac upon the margins. He informed us that the Nestorians now speak the Chaldean language, but the educated read the Syriac quite readily. We are promised some notes of Rev. Mr. Sultan's discoveries at Sian-foo should they prove of any general interest.—*Temperance Union.*

(Courier.)

Preparations have been commenced for the erection of the Margary Memorial in the south corner of the Reserve Garden. The site for the Memorial has been marked out within the iron railings, and occupies a space of about fourteen feet square. Round in the railings, in front of the site, a boarding is being erected. It was resolved at the public meeting of ratepayers for the consideration of this matter in July last that "the Council be recommended to grant a site for the Margary Memorial within and at the south corner of the Reserve Garden."

Japan.

YOKOHAMA.

(Gazette.) The total cost of entertaining His Majesty the Mikado at the Uyeno Garden last August is said by the native press to have been 26,650 yen.

The Yokohama native paper is jubilant over the prospect of a speedy settlement of the hoop question in favour of Japanese merchants. It states that the firm residing at No. 7 have conceded to the demands made, and congratulates its constituents on the victory thus gained.

The *Nichi Nichi Shinbun* says that the government are hastening the revision of the treaties, being anxious to have a system of tariffs ready before the departure of His Excellency Mori. His Excellency Uyeno, *shoyu* of the Foreign Office, has been appointed chief of the committee for revision of the treaties.

It is said that Monsieur Tricot, who was,

until June or July of this year, Political agent and Consul-General of France in Egypt, will be Minister of Finance in Japan in place of Monsieur de Geoffroy, who, we are sorry to say, is unable to return to Tokio on account of his domestic anxieties.

Monsieur Tricot is known to be a man of ability, very active and energetic.

A rumour, which we believe to be entirely without foundation, is being industriously circulated in Tokio and, as a natural consequence, it has found its way to Yokohama where Japanese usually well-informed seem mystified and troubled, as though the report had some basis of truth or probability. There is also a report that the Excellency the Finance Minister is very unwell and wholly incapacitated from the discharge of his official duties. The last report may be true; in which case we hope Mr. Okuma will be speedily restored to health, lest the excellent scheme for the entire liquidation of the national liabilities prepared by him should not be proceeded with, which would be a misfortune as the substance of the measure has been telegraphed to London and published in *The Times*.

Due respect is generally paid in Japan to national anniversaries, particularly to the birthdays of our respective sovereigns and, in the case of republican America, to the "glorious fourth." This excellent custom was observed yesterday, the 16th instant, in recognition of the forty-third anniversary of the birth of His Majesty Kalakaua, the King of Hawaii, the occasion being celebrated by the Hawaiian Council-General in a manner worthy of the event.

The large flag was hoisted at the Consulates of the several treaty powers, and at the Hawaiian Consulate-General the national flag was prominently displayed.

In the afternoon Mr. Consul-General Lillibridge received numerous guests, among whom were many members of the diplomatic and consular bodies, government officials, and a large gathering of native and foreign townsmen who waited upon the Consul-General to offer their congratulations.

The hospitality of the respected Consul-General would not permit his guests to depart without doing full honour to the occasion, by drinking His Majesty's health in champagne, and partaking of an excellent collation of a substantial character.

The *Fuso Shinbun* is of opinion that the departure of H. M. B. Minister from Japan is not a matter of regret but one for general congratulation. One of the last acts of Sir Harry Parkes, says the *Fuso Shinbun*, was to propose that this country should pay tribute to Great Britain, in return for which that nation should protect Japan against all comers, and become responsible for the national liabilities. This revelation is surprising, but it must be true because the *Fuso Shinbun* says it is.

DEATH OF A PASSENGER ON BOARD THE P. & O. S.S. *MALACCA*.

Death has been busy on board the *Malacca*. Not only have we, as mentioned in two paragraphs in last week's papers, to hand telegrams stating that the Captain and Chief mate have died one after the other, but we find in the *Japan Gazette* of the 17th an account of an investigation held that day on board the *Malacca* by Mr. Martin Dobmen, H. B. M. Acting Consul, into the circumstances attending the death of Mr. Pistorius on that vessel on the morning of the 4th instant. Mr. P. E. Pistorius was formerly agent of the Netherland Trading Society at Yokohama, and was about to visit Japan for a holiday. The first witness called was

Mr. T. Barclay, surgeon, who deposed:

At about 1.30 a.m. on the 4th instant I was called to see Mr. Pistorius and found him

in a state of collapse. He complained of

severe pain over the abdomen and in the

right side. I did all that I could to relieve him, but he gradually got worse and died

at a quarter to seven. He was also seen

by the surgeon of the *Teheran*, the ship he

arrived in from Singapore, and he was of

the same opinion as myself, viz. that Mr. Pistorius would not recover.

About 2 p.m. I made a post mortem examination and

found that death had been caused by the

bursting of an abscess of the liver into the

cavity of the abdomen. He died when the

ship was in the Ly-ee Moon Pass. The ship

left Hongkong at 6 o'clock or thereabouts

Her Majesty's Acting Consul now introduced Mr. van Oordt, Consul for the Nether-

lands, remarking that that gentleman had

requested permission to be present to ask a

few questions.

In answer to Mr. van Oordt the witness

said that Mr. Pistorius came on board the

Malacca about 5 o'clock on the evening of

the 3rd. The vessel was just outside when

he died. Witness had no authority to send

the sick man to the hospital on shore. He

could not say whether it was allowable or

not for P. & O. steamer to return to port

on account of the sickness or death of a

passenger. If he sent a person in a dying

state on shore he would have to be answerable for his expenses. Mr. Loureiro, who

accompanied Mr. Pistorius on the steamer,

did not suggest to witness that the deceased

should be left behind. He had no power to

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Mails.

mitsu bishi mail steamship company.

steam to yokohama via kobe.

the s.s. takasago maru, capt. young, will be despatched as above on saturday, the 23rd inst., at day-light.

freight will be received on board and parcels at the office up to 6 p.m. of 28th.

no bill of lading signed under \$2.

all claims must be settled on board before delivery is taken, otherwise they will not be recognized.

rates of passage.

to kobe..... cabin \$60. steerage \$15.

" yokohama & ... do. \$75. do. \$20.

a reduction is made on return cabin

passages. cargo and passengers for nagasaki will be transhipped to the shanghai mail steamer at kobe.

for further particulars, apply at the company's offices, no. 6, queen's road central.

hongkong, november 17, 1879. no 29

notice.

compagnie des messageries maritimes.

paquebots poste français.

steam for saigon, singapore, batavia, point de galle, aden, suzey, ismailia, port said, naples, and marseilles;

also, bombay, colombo, mahe, st. denis, and port louis.

on saturday, the 29th november, 1879, at noon, the company's s.s. djemnah, commandant hernandez, with mails, passengers, specie, and cargo, will leave this port for the above places.

freight and goods will be registered for london as well as for marseilles, and accepted in transit through marseilles for the principal places of europe.

shipping orders will be granted until noon.

freight will be received on board until 4 p.m., specie and parcels until 3 p.m. on the 28th november, 1879. (parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the agency's office.)

contents and value of packages are required.

for further particulars, apply at the company's office.

g. de champeaux, agent.

hongkong, november 20, 1879. no 29

u. s. mail line.

pacific mail steamship company.

through to new york, via overland railways, and touching at yokohama, and san francisco.

the u. s. mail steamship city of peking will be despatched for san francisco, via yokohama, on wednesday, the 24th december, at 3 p.m., taking passengers, and freight, for japan, the united states, and europe.

through bills of lading issued for transportation to yokohama and other japan ports, to san francisco, to atlantic and inland cities of the united states via overland railways, to havana, trinidad, and damerara, and to ports in mexico, central and south america by the company's and connecting steamers.

through passage tickets granted to england, france, and germany by all trans-atlantic lines of steamers.

freight will be received on board until 4 p.m., the 23rd december. parcel packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all parcel packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

consular invoices to accompany overland cargo should be sent to the company's offices in sealed envelopes, addressed to the collector of customs at san francisco.

for further information as to passage and freight, apply to the agency of the company, no. 9, praya central.

russell & co., agents.

hongkong, november 20, 1879. no 24

occidental & oriental steamship company.

taking through cargo and passengers for the united states and europe, in connection with the central and

union pacific and connecting railroad companies and atlantic steamers.

the s.s. belgic will be despatched for san francisco via yokohama, on wednesday, the 24th december, 1879, at 3 p.m., taking cargo and passengers for japan, the united states, mexico, central and south america, and europe.

connection is made at yokohama, with steamers from shanghai.

freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. of the 2nd december. parcel packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all parcel packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

a reduction is made on return passage tickets.

consular invoices to accompany overland, mexican central and south american cargo, should be sent to the company's offices addressed to the collector of customs, san francisco.

for further information as to freight or passage, apply to the agency of the company, no. 9, queen's road central.

h. m. blanchard, acting agent.

hongkong, october 24, 1879. no 8

notices to consignees.

shire line of steamers.
from london, singapore and penang.

the s.s. "merionethshire" richard, commander, having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that the goods are being landed, at their risk into the godowns of the undersigned at wanchai, whence delivery may be obtained.

consignees wishing to receive their goods on the wharf are at liberty to do so.

no claims will be admitted after the goods have left the godowns, and all goods remaining after the 27th instant will be subject to rent.

no fire insurance has been effected.

bills of lading will be countersigned by adamson, bell & co., agents.

hongkong, 20th nov., 1879. no 27

from hamburg, penang and singapore.

the s.s. feronia, capt. h. schultz, having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and stored at their risk into the godowns of the undersigned, whence and/or from the wharves or boats delivery may be obtained. optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 3 p.m. to-day.

cargo remaining undelivered after the 25th instant will be subject to rent.

no fire insurance has been effected.

bills of lading will be countersigned by siemssen & co., agents.

hongkong, november 19, 1879. no 26

from glasgow and singapore.

the s.s. romulus having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo by the above named vessel are hereby requested to send in their bills of lading to the undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their goods.

cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at consignees' risk and expense.

jardine, matheson & co. hongkong, november 18, 1879. no 25

compagnie des messageries maritimes.

notice to consignees.

consignees of the following cargo are requested to send in their bills of lading to the undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. this cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

no fire insurance has been effected.

g. amazone.

sp, order, 111 bags sharp stones, from madras.

g. de crampaux, agent.

hongkong, november 21, 1879.

british barque pampero, from antwerp.

consignees of cargo by the above vessel are hereby requested to send in their bills of lading to the undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their cargo.

cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at consignees' risk and expense.

arnhold, karberg & co. hongkong, november 18, 1879.

pacific mail steamship co.

notice to consignees.

consignee of the undermentioned cargo is requested to send in his bill of lading to the undersigned for countersignature and to take immediate delivery. this package has been landed and stored at consignees' risk and expense.

no fire insurance has been effected.

ex city of tokio, from san francisco, addressed:

f. c. moore, 1 cased pianoforte.

russell & co., agents.

hongkong, november 18, 1879.

notices of firms.

notice.

we have authorised mr. john macgregor to sign our firm.

jardine, matheson & co. hongkong, november 1, 1879. del

notice.

the undersigned has established himself at the premises formerly occupied by lammert, atkinson & co., pedder's wharf, as

auctioneer, appraiser

and

commission agent.

all goods intrusted for sale will be fully covered by fire insurance.

g. r. lammert. hongkong, july 1, 1879.

notice.

the interest and responsibility of mr. c. braun in our firm, ceased on the 23rd september a.d.

mr. c. stiebel is authorized to sign our firm.

reiss & co., hongkong, shanghai, yokohama. hongkong, october 3, 1879. jas

notice.

the undersigned have been appointed agents to the new york board of underwriters.

arnhold, karberg & co.

record of american and foreign shipping.

arnhold, karberg & co. agents.

arnhold, karberg & co. hongkong, october 3, 1879. sscs

notices of firms.

notice.

mr. heinrich ebell retired from our firm on the 22nd august last, and his interest and responsibility therein ceased from that date.

herton, ebell & co. hollow, november 15th, 1879.

our business will be carried on under the firm or style of her-ton & co. mr. louis jeidell is authorized to sign the firm's name.

herton, ebell & co. hollow, pakhol and haiphong, november 15th, 1879. del

notice.

from the 1st of october, dr. eastlacke will receive his patients at his new dental rooms, no. 50, queen's road central, over the medical hall.

hongkong, september 23, 1879.

to let.

round floor of house, no. 3, marine lot no. 65, praya, wan-chai, formerly known as the "blue houses," with possession on 1st december.

meier & co. hongkong, november 13, 1879. del

rose villas—east.

six rooms, upon bonham and robinson roads, gas, water, flower and vegetable garden, stable and tennis lawns.

apply to sharp & danby, no. 6, queen's road central.

hongkong, november 1, 1879.

to let.

first-class stone floored godown, situated upon marine lot no. 10. possession from 1st december next.

also—the two houses, nos. 14 and 16, stanley street, now in the occupation of the temperance hall. possession from 1st december.

apply to douglas lapraik & co.

hongkong, january 1, 1879.

storage.

goods received on storage in godowns in peddar's wharf buildings, at moderate terms.

apply to g. r. lammert.

hongkong, august 9, 1879.

to let.

on marine lot no. 65, first-class granite godowns.

apply to meyer & co.

hongkong, july 25, 1879.

insurances.

scottish imperial insurance company.

fire and life.

insurances against fire granted at current rates. considerable reduction in premia for life insurance in china.

meier & co., agents.

hongkong, june 2, 1879. 2jns

swiss lloyd transport insurance company of winterthur.

insurances granted on marine risks to all parts of the world.

meier & co., agents.

hongkong, june 3, 1879. 8jns

yangtze insurance association.

capital (fully paid-up)..... th. 420,000